

WHERE TO SEE WILDLIFE in south central Ontario

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WATCHING WILDLIFE

There are plenty of natural areas where south central Ontario's abundant wildlife can be seen - and many are not far from home. See *songbirds* while walking along a forest trail, *frogs* and *turtles* from a boardwalk, *ducks* and *geese* from a viewing tower or *deer* and *hawks* from your car.

This guide provides information on where and when to see wildlife in the Central Region of the Ministry of Natural Resources. Central Region is divided into five districts - Niagara, Cambridge, Huronia, Maple and Lindsay. Each District has unique areas that can be easily reached to see wildlife throughout the year.

WHERE TO SEE WILDLIFE

Wildlife live in a specific habitat, or home. Each type of habitat contains four essential components which all wildlife need to survive - **food, water, shelter and space.**



Great blue heron

D.J. Hawke

The five most common habitats in south Central Ontario are:

- **Wetlands**
- **Hardwood forests**
- **Fields**
- **Forested river valleys and ravines**
- **Urban areas**

Wetlands, such as marshes and swamps, are home to the widest variety of wildlife. Wetlands attract *herons*, *muskrats*, and other wildlife that require water for some or most of their life cycle.

Hardwood forests, made up of trees such as maples, beeches and oaks, attract wildlife throughout the year. Birds and animals live in different levels of the forest - *songbirds* high in the branches, *flying squirrels* in hollow tree trunks or *salamanders* under logs on the ground.

Fields of grasses and wildflowers provide abundant food and open space for *foxes* and *groundhogs*. Wildlife is also common in hedgerows and the edge areas between forests and fields, where a variety of plants grow.

Forested river valleys and ravines are sloped areas, with a creek or stream running through them. They are important travel corridors for birds and animals, moving from one area to another. *Trout* and *salmon* also migrate upstream to lay their eggs in the gravel bottoms of streams.

FRONT COVER

Gray tree frog
Eastern cottontail rabbit
Whitetail deer

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Cedar waxwing

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WHEN TO SEE WILDLIFE

Wildlife viewing is a year round activity. The best time to see many types of wildlife, especially birds, is during the spring and fall, when they migrate or travel from one habitat to another. In summer, birds and animals can be seen searching for food for their young. In winter, some wildlife hibernate but others remain active and can easily be seen against the white snow background.

Urban habitats include natural areas within cities and towns such as city parks and even your own backyard. It's surprising what you can see so close to home. *Songbirds* and *butterflies* can be easily attracted to your backyard by planting native trees and shrubs or providing water.

Whatever the season, dawn and dusk are the best times to see most wildlife. At dawn, many species feed and then move to resting areas for the day. At dusk, they become active again and prepare for the night ahead. Many others however, are active during the day and feed and move about in broad daylight.

Visit the same area at different times of the day and year. Read about the habitat



Red fox

D.J. Hawke



Male mallard duck

D.R. Gunn

you will be visiting and the wildlife found there. Don't be disappointed if you don't see wildlife every time you go out. You can still see signs that tell you they are around.

- Look for trails through the forest - could they be used by a *doe* and her *fawn*?
- Bare patches on pine trees or on branches low to the ground indicate a *porcupine*, *mouse* or *rabbit* has been feeding on the bark.
- During the fall rut, male *deer* paw at the ground and scrape saplings with their antlers.
- Look for raccoon tracks in the mud along streams or *wild turkey* tracks in the snow. These are just some of the signs that indicate wildlife is around.

VIEWING TIPS

- Be quiet. Quick movements or loud noises will scare birds and animals away.
- Be patient. Good things come to those who wait. Sit down or rest in one area. Listen and watch. Catch that flash of movement or small sound that leads to discovery.
- Binoculars will help you view wildlife from a distance. Field guide books will help identify closely related types of wildlife.
- Don't feed or touch any wildlife. Don't disturb nests. If you find a young bird or animal, it is best to leave it alone. The parents are probably close by, waiting to care for it when you leave.

HELPFUL NOTES

- For each of the viewing areas in this guide, only the most commonly seen wildlife are described. There is much more living in each of the areas, but some are more wary and not as easily seen as others.
- All viewing areas are easy to get to, and have parking lots unless otherwise noted. They may be accessible by walking, cross-country skiing or canoeing. Some are accessible to people in wheelchairs or those who cannot walk long distances. Viewing can also take place from a car.
- The following symbols indicate the type of access for each viewing area.



hiking trails



accessible for viewing from a wheelchair or car



canoeing



cross-country skiing



Spotted salamander

G.M. Allen

- Special features such as a nature centre, boardwalk, viewing tower or viewing blind are noted in each area description.
- All of the viewing areas are on land open to the public. Some of the provincial parks and conservation areas charge an admission fee during their operating season (usually spring to fall). During the winter, some areas are closed, however walk-in visitors are always welcome.
- For more information on individual provincial parks and conservation areas, pick up an Ontario Provincial Parks Guide from your Ministry of Natural Resources District office or a Conservation Areas Guide from your Conservation Authority office.
- Many of the viewing areas are adjacent to private land. Do not enter private property unless you have permission from the landowner.
- The wildlife viewing areas may be used by other recreationists such as hikers, anglers, skiers and hunters. Where hunting may take place, it is noted in the area description. For more information on hunting seasons, pick up a copy of the Hunting Regulations from your Ministry of Natural Resources District office.
- Many local naturalist and sportsmen's groups lead wildlife viewing trips throughout the year. These experienced organizations can help you get started.

Carry this guide with you whenever you travel in south Central Ontario. Use it to plan viewing trips to enjoy the outdoors and wildlife around you.



Canada geese

D.J. Hawke

NIAGARA DISTRICT

1. NIAGARA RIVER BETWEEN CHIPPAWA AND FORT ERIE

Excellent viewing for diving *ducks* October to February.



Q.E.W. Fort Erie to Lyons Creek Rd. (exit 21). Travel east on Lyons Creek Rd. to the Niagara Parkway. Travel south on the parkway to Fort Erie. Many places to park and view along the route.

2. NIAGARA RIVER BELOW NIAGARA FALLS

Excellent viewing for diving *ducks* and *gulls* October to February.



From the town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, travel south on the Niagara Parkway to Niagara Falls. Many places to park and view along the route.

3. TWENTY MILE CREEK

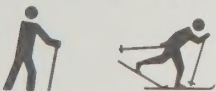
River valley habitat. Spawning *chinook salmon*, *rainbow trout* and *brown trout* September to November.



Q.E.W. Niagara to Victoria Ave. (exit 57). Travel south on Victoria Avenue 2.7 km to Culp Rd. Turn east and travel to 21st St. Turn south and travel 1.1 km to the Bailey bridge. Small parking lot on the east side of the bridge. Short walk to the creek bank to watch fish.

4. SHORT HILLS PROVINCIAL PARK

Forest habitat. *Songbirds* spring to fall but best mid-April to May. *Butterflies* and *luna moths* during the summer. Excellent viewing for *wild turkeys* and *deer* during the winter.



From Fontheill, travel west on Hwy 20 to Effingham St. (Regional Rd. 32). Turn north and travel 6.2 km to Roland Rd. Turn east and travel 0.5 km to a small parking lot.



Each fall, monarch butterflies migrate south to Mexico where they spend the winter.

5. MUD LAKE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

Wetland habitat. *Waterfowl* mid-April to May and October to mid-November. *Muskrats*, *herons*, *snakes* and *turtles* throughout the summer. Hunting on some days in the fall. Boardwalk.



From Port Colborne, travel north on Elm St. (Regional Rd. 80) 3.3 km to a small parking lot on the east side of the road.

6. NORTH SHORE OF LAKE ERIE

Excellent viewing for *waterfowl* October to December.



Best viewing between Port Colborne and Port Maitland at (1) Gravelly Bay in Port Colborne (2) Moulton Bay at Long Beach Conservation Area and (3) Connor Bay in Port Maitland. Many other places to park and view along the north shore of Lake Erie.

7. ROCK POINT PROVINCIAL PARK

Forest habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. Migrating *monarch butterflies* congregate in large trees during September. *Opossum* and *deer* throughout the year. Telephone (416) 774-6642.



From Dunnville, travel south on Regional Rd. 3, through the village of Stromness and follow the signs to the park.

8. GRAND RIVER FROM DUNNVILLE TO LAKE ERIE

Wetland habitat. *Waterfowl* mid-April to May and October to mid-November. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Hérons, muskrats* and *frogs* during the summer.



Easy canoeing on the Grand River, in and around Dunnville and downstream to Port Maitland on Lake Erie. Access the river at the Byng Island Conservation Area.

9. TAQUANYAH NATURE CENTRE

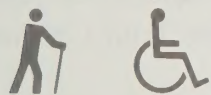
Wetland habitat. *Waterfowl* mid-April to May and October to mid-November. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Hérons, muskrats, turtles* and *frogs* during the summer. Nature centre and boardwalk. Telephone (416) 768-3288.



From Cayuga, travel west on Hwy 3 to River Rd. Turn north and travel to Town Line Rd. Turn west and follow the signs to the conservation area.

10. BEAMER MEMORIAL CONSERVATION AREA

Niagara Escarpment area. Excellent viewing for migrating *hawks* March to May, especially on warm days with a south-east wind. Best viewing from the parking lot or viewing platforms at the edge of the escarpment.



From Grimsby, travel south on Christie St. up the Niagara escarpment (turns into Mountain St.). At the crest of the escarpment turn right on Ridge Rd. (Regional Rd. 79) and travel 1.5 km to Quarry Rd. Turn right and travel to the conservation area.

CAMBRIDGE DISTRICT

11. FIFTY POINT CONSERVATION AREA

Excellent viewing for migrating *hawks* March to May, especially on warm days with a south-east wind. *Loons* and other *waterfowl* mid-October to November. Telephone (416) 643-2103. Best viewing from the parking lot or short walk to the shoreline.



From Hamilton, Q.E.W. Niagara to Fifty Rd. (exit 78). Travel north to the North Service Rd. Turn right and travel to Baseline Rd. Turn left and travel 0.4 km to the conservation area.

12. COOTES PARADISE

Wetland and forested river valley habitat. *Waterfowl* and *hawks* April to mid-May and October to early November. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Cormorants* June to September. Nature centre. Telephone (416) 527-7962.



From Hamilton, travel east on Hwy 403 to Hwy 6. Travel north on Hwy 6 to the first interchange (Plains Rd W.). Turn right and travel to York Blvd. Turn right and travel to Guelph Rd. Turn right and go down the hill to the nature centre.

13. DUNDAS VALLEY CONSERVATION AREA

Forested river valley habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Squirrels*, *chipmunks*, *rabbits* and *deer* throughout the year. All-terrain wheelchair available at the Trail Centre. Telephone (416) 525-2181 (weekdays), (416) 627-1233 (weekends).



From Hamilton, travel west on Hwy 403 to Main St. West (Hwy 8). Follow Main St. West to Governor's Rd. in the town of Dundas. Turn west on Governor's Rd and travel 3.5 km to the Dundas Valley Trail Centre.

14. BANNISTER LAKE COMPLEX

Wetland and forest habitat. *Waterfowl* mid-April to May and October to mid-November. *Frogs* and *turtles* during the summer. *Sandpipers* and *plovers* late-July to August. Viewing tower.



From Paris, travel north on Hwy 24A 11.7 km to Regional Rd. 49. Parking lot on the north-west corner of the intersection of Hwy 24A and Regional Rd. 49.

15. WATERLOO REGION AGREEMENT FOREST (Sudden Tract)

Wetland and forest habitat. *Songbirds* spring to fall but best mid-April to May. Excellent viewing for *frogs* and *salamanders* late-March to mid-May, especially during and after spring rains.



From Paris, travel north on Hwy 24A (turns into Regional Rd. 75) 13.9 km. Forest parking lot on the east side of Regional Rd. 75.

16. BEVERLY SWAMP

Wetland and forest habitat. *Songbirds* year round but best mid-April to May. Excellent viewing for *butterflies* during the summer. *Deer* congregate in the swamp during the winter. Hunting on some days in the fall and winter.



From Hamilton, travel north on Hwy 6 to Safari Rd. or Flamborough Concession 8 West. Turn west on either road and travel 10 km on Safari Rd. or 8.1 km on Concession 8 to parking lots.

17. BRONTE CREEK AT LOWVILLE PARK

River valley habitat. *Chinook salmon* during October. *Rainbow* and *brown trout* September to November. *Coho salmon* November to January.



From Burlington, travel north on Guelph Line (Hwy 1) to the park in the village of Lowville. Short walk to the creek bank to watch fish.



The Midland painted turtle is the most common of Ontario's eight species of turtles.

18. MOUNTSBERG CONSERVATION AREA

Wetland, forest and field habitat. *Waterfowl* mid April to May and October to mid-November. Injured *owls* and *hawks* are housed at the conservation area and can be seen up close. A good place to improve your identification skills. Nature centre and viewing tower. Canoeing permitted on the reservoir after June 28. Telephone (416) 854-2276.



From the village of Campbellville, travel west on Campbellville Rd. 9 5.6 km to Millborough Line. Turn north and travel to the conservation area.

19. HALTON REGION AGREEMENT FOREST

Forest and wetland habitat. Excellent viewing for *songbirds* year round but best mid-April to September. *Turkey vultures* during the summer. *Deer* and *rabbits* throughout the year. Hunting on some days in the fall.



From Milton, travel north to Hwy 25 to Campbellville Rd. 9. Turn west and travel 3.5 km to 6th Line. Turn north and travel 3.2 or 3.6 km to small parking lots.

20. LUTHER MARSH WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

Wetland, forest and field habitat. Excellent viewing for *waterfowl* spring to fall but best mid-April to May and October to early November. *Osprey* during the summer. *Rabbits*, *ruffed grouse* and *porcupine* throughout the year. Hunting on some days in the fall and winter. Several viewing towers on the east side of the marsh. Waterfowl viewing blind on East Bay. Permit required to canoe in the marsh before August 1. Telephone (519) 928-2832.

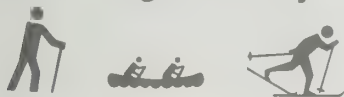


From Grand Valley, travel north on Hwy 25 8.5 km to East Luther Concession 8-9. Turn west and travel 5.5 km to the marsh.

HURONIA DISTRICT

21. AWENDA PROVINCIAL PARK

Forest habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Deer*, *porcupine*, *ruffed grouse* and *squirrels* throughout the year. Telephone (705) 549-2231.



From Penetanguishene, travel north on County Rd. 26 and follow the signs to the park.

22. WYE MARSH PROVINCIAL WILDLIFE AREA

Wetland, field and forest habitat. *Waterfowl* spring to fall but best mid-April to May. *Muskrats*, *swallows*, *turtles* and *frogs* during the summer. Hunting on some days in the fall and winter. Nature centre, boardwalk and viewing tower. Telephone (705) 526-7809.



From Midland, travel east on Hwy 12 and follow the signs to the marsh.

23. TINY MARSH PROVINCIAL WILDLIFE AREA

Wetland, field and forest habitat. *Waterfowl* spring to fall but best mid-April to May and October to mid-November. *Sandpipers* and *plovers* May to June and August to September. *Muskrats* and *frogs* during the summer. Hunting on some days in the fall and winter. Nature centre, viewing tower and photography blinds. Telephone (705) 322-2200.



From Elmvale, travel north on Hwy 27 to Simcoe Rd. 6. Turn west and follow the signs to the marsh.

24. COPELAND FOREST

Forest habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Ruffed grouse* and *snowshoe hare* throughout the year. *Deer* congregate in the forest during the winter. Hunting on some days in the fall.



From Barrie, travel north on Hwy 400 to Hwy 93 (exit 121). Travel south on Hwy 93 to Ingram Rd. Turn east onto Ingram Rd. and follow the signs to the forest.

25. HORSESHOE VALLEY RD. IN MEDONTE TOWNSHIP

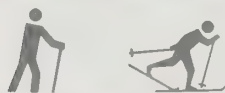
Forest and field habitat. *Deer* often seen in open fields on the north side of Horseshoe Valley Rd. Best viewing on sunny afternoons late February to March.



From Barrie, travel north on Hwy 400 to Horseshoe Valley Rd. (exit 117). Travel east on Horseshoe Valley Rd., between Craighurst and Coulson. Park and view from your car.

26. SPRINGWATER PROVINCIAL PARK

Injured and orphaned Ontario wildlife are housed at the park. A good place to improve your identification skills. Telephone (705) 728-7393.



From Barrie, travel north on Hwy 27 to Hwy 26. Turn west onto Hwy 26 and follow the signs to the park.

27. SUNNIDALE TOWNSHIP RD. 22 IN MINESING SWAMP

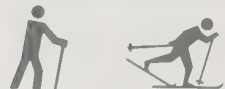
Wetland habitat. *Waterfowl* in flooded areas on both sides of Sunnidale Township Rd. 22 mid-April to May. *Deer* congregate in the swamp during the winter and are often seen on sunny afternoons late February to March. *Hawks* during the winter.



From Barrie, travel west on Hwy 90 towards Angus. Turn north onto Sunnidale Township Rd. 22 and travel 3.5 km. Park at the side of the road and walk to the McKinnon Bridge. View only from the road or bridge.

28. DUFFERIN COUNTY FOREST

Forest habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Wild turkeys*, *deer* and *snowshoe hare* best seen during the winter. Hunting on some days in the spring, fall and winter.



From Alliston, travel west on Hwy 89 to Airport Rd. (County Rd. 18). Turn north and travel 11.6 km to 20 Sideroad Mulmur. Turn east and travel 0.3 km to an access point into the forest. Park on the side of 20 Sideroad.



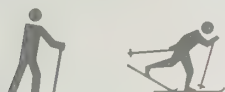
Scarlet tanager

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When songbirds sleep, their feet lock so they won't fall off their perch.

29. MONO CLIFFS PROVINCIAL PARK

Forest habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Turkey vultures* during the summer. *Rabbits*, *porcupine* and *deer* throughout the year.



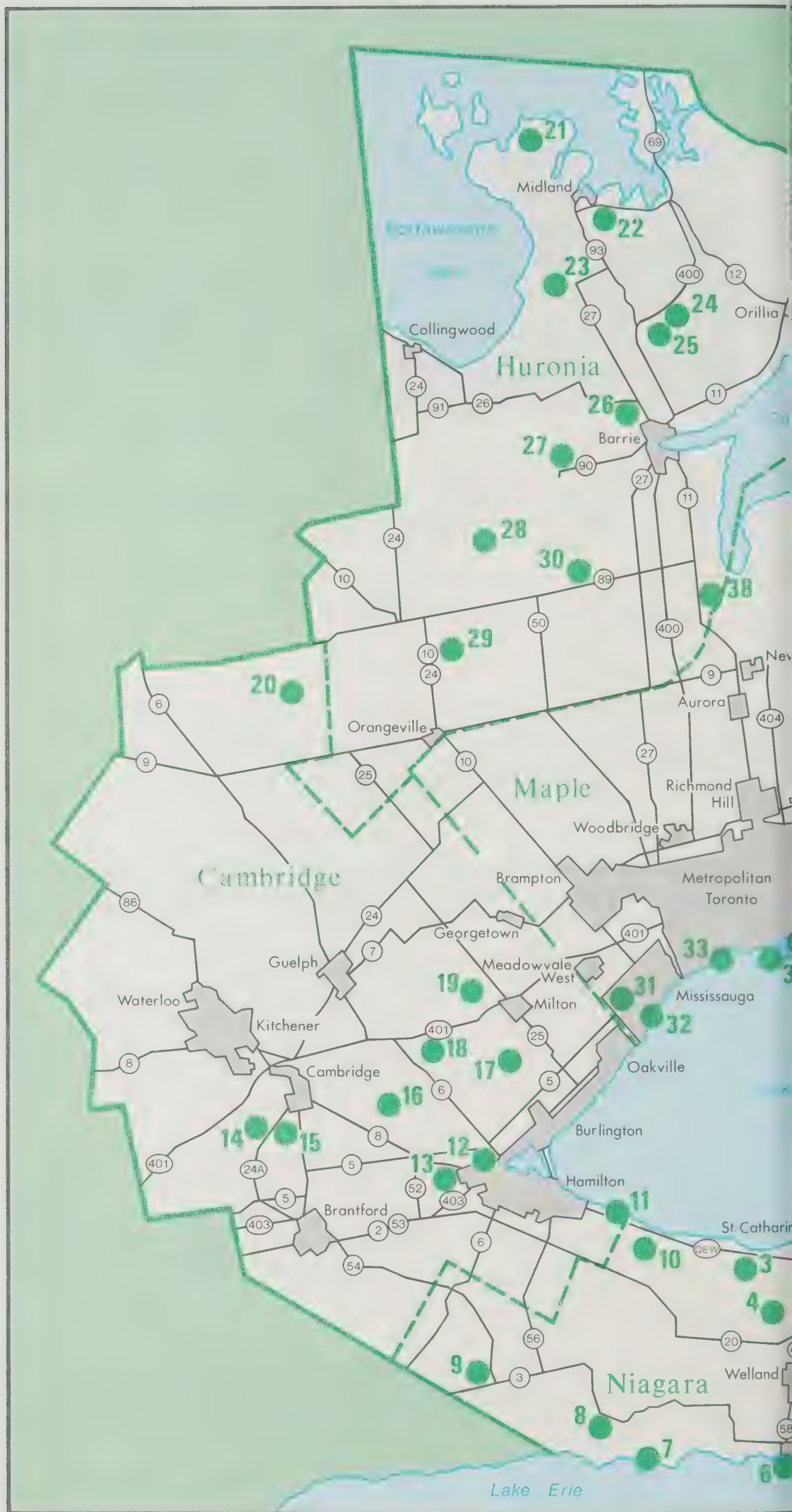
From Orangeville, travel north on Hwy 10/24 to Mono Centre Rd. (County Rd. 8). Turn east and travel to Mono Centre. Continue north on 2nd Line EHS for 1.6 km to dead end and parking lot.

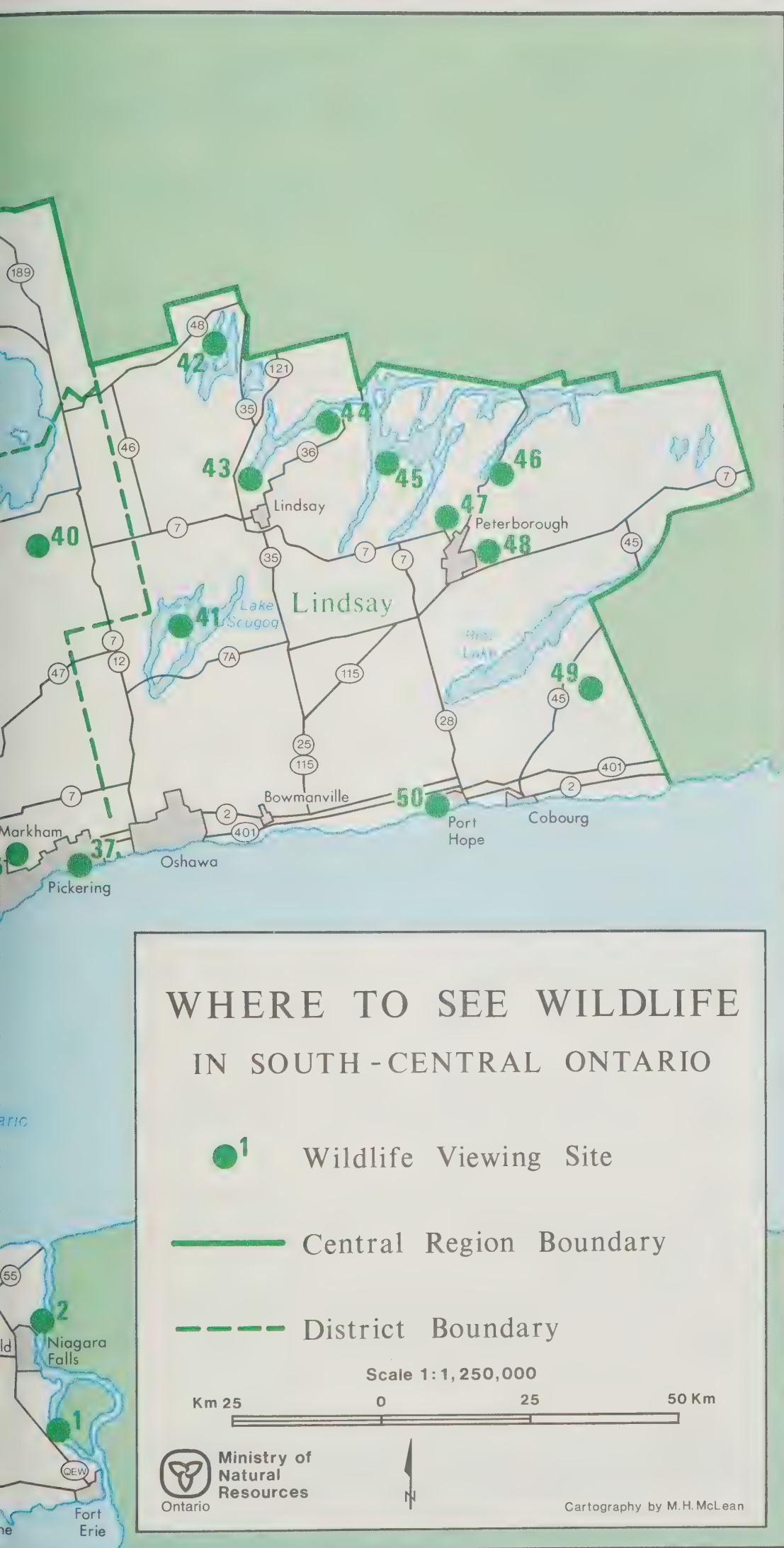
30. NOTTAWASAGA RIVER AT THE NICOLSTON DAM

Excellent viewing for *rainbow trout* March to April.



From Alliston, travel east on Hwy 89 for 5 km to Essa Twp. Concession 5. Turn north to the fish sanctuary. Short walk to the dam to watch fish.





MAPLE DISTRICT

31. CREDIT RIVER AT ERINDALE PARK

Forested river valley habitat. Spawning *rainbow trout* during April. *Chinook salmon* September to mid-October. *Coho salmon* October to November.



In Mississauga, from the intersection of Erin Mills Parkway and Dundas St. (Hwy 5), travel east on Dundas St. 1.1 km to Erindale Park. Short walk to the river bank to watch fish.

32. RATTRAY MARSH

Wetland habitat. *Ducks* mid-April to May and October to early November. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Frogs* and *turtles* during the summer. Telephone (416) 670-1615.



In Mississauga, from the intersection of Lakeshore Rd. W. (Hwy 2) and Southdown Rd., travel east on Lakeshore Rd. 2 km to Bexhill Rd. Turn south and travel to the dead end of Bexhill Rd. Park on Bexhill Rd. or Gatehouse Drive.

33. HUMBER BAY PARK EAST

Lake Ontario shoreline. Excellent viewing for *waterfowl* October to mid-November. Many *ducks* overwinter November to February.



In Toronto, from the intersection of the Q.E.W. and Parklawn Rd., travel south on Parklawn Rd. to Humber Bay Park East. Short walk to the shoreline to watch waterfowl.

34. TORONTO ISLAND PARK

Urban habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May and September to early October. *Waterfowl* throughout the year. Migrating *hawks* in October.



From the foot of Bay St. in Toronto, take a ferry to the Toronto Islands. For schedule of rates and departure times, telephone (416) 392-8193. Easy walking on the Toronto Islands.

Holes in hollow trees are called cavities, and are important nesting sites for wildlife.



35. TOMMY THOMPSON PARK (Leslie St. Spit)

Urban habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Ring-billed gulls*, *terns* and *herons* late April to September. Many *ducks* overwinter October to February. Viewing blinds. The park is open to the public only on weekends and statutory holidays. Special bus service within the park May to mid-October. Telephone (416) 661-6600.



In Toronto, at the foot of Leslie St. on Lake Ontario.

36. ROUGE RIVER VALLEY

Forested river valley habitat. *Songbirds* year round but best mid-April to September. Migrating *hawks* April to May and September to October. *Deer*, *rabbits* and *squirrels* throughout the year.



In Scarborough, from the intersection of Hwy 401 and Meadowvale Rd. (exit 389), travel north on Meadowvale Rd. 3.4 km to Old Finch Ave. Turn west and travel 1.4 km to a parking lot at the Bailey Bridge.

37. DUFFIN CREEK MARSH

Wetland habitat. *Waterfowl, sandpipers and plovers* mid-April to May and September to October.



To Pickering, from the intersection of Hwy 401 and Brock Rd. (exit 399), travel south on Brock Rd to Bayly St. Turn left and travel 1 km to Squires Beach Rd. Turn right and travel to McKay Rd. Turn left and follow the winding road to Montgomery Park Rd. Turn left and travel 0.2 km to a small parking lot.

38. HOLLAND MARSH PROVINCIAL WILDLIFE AREA

Wetland habitat. *Waterfowl* spring to fall with best viewing mid-April to May and October to mid-November. *Muskrats, herons and blackbirds* during the summer. Boardwalk and viewing tower.



From Bradford, travel north on Hwy 11 5.4 km to Coulson's Hill Rd. (West Gwillimbury Line 11). Turn east and travel 3.6 km to a parking lot.

39. MORNING GLORY SWAMP

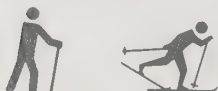
Wetland habitat. *Waterfowl* mid-April to May and October to mid-November. *Turtles, snakes and frogs* during the summer.



From Sutton, travel east on Hwy 48 to the village of Virginia, then travel 1 km east of Morning Glory Public School to a small parking area on the north side of Hwy 48. View from the road that runs from the parking area to Lake Simcoe.

40. YORK REGION AGREEMENT FOREST (Pefferlaw Tract)

Forest habitat. *Ruffed grouse, deer, rabbits and squirrels* throughout the year. Hunting on some days in the fall and winter.



From Uxbridge, travel east on Hwy 47 to Durham Rd. 23. Turn north and travel 23 km to the forest.

LINDSAY DISTRICT

41. SCUGOG ISLAND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

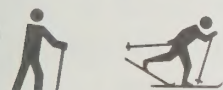
Forest, field and wetland habitat. *Waterfowl* mid-April to May and October to mid-November. *Rabbits*, *ruffed grouse* and *foxes* throughout the year. Hunting on some days in the fall and winter. No designated walking trails in the management area.



From Port Perry, travel east on Hwy 7A to Island Rd. (Durham Regional Rd. 7). Turn north and travel to the north end of the island to the management area.

42. BALSAM LAKE PROVINCIAL PARK

Forest and field habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Foxes*, *squirrels*, *ruffed grouse* and *deer* throughout the year. Telephone (705) 454-3324.



From Lake Simcoe, travel east on Hwy 48 for 26 km and follow the signs to the park.

43. KEN REID CONSERVATION AREA

Forest, field and wetland habitat. *Waterfowl* mid-April to May and October to mid-November. Excellent viewing for *osprey* during the summer. *Ruffed grouse*, *snowshoe hare* and *deer* throughout the year. Boardwalk and viewing tower. Telephone (705) 328-2271.



From Lindsay, travel north on Hwy 35 to Kenrei Park Rd. Turn east and follow the signs to the conservation area.

44. EMILY CREEK CAUSEWAY

Wetland habitat. *Osprey*, *ducks*, *frogs*, *turtles* and *blackbirds* during the summer.



From Lindsay, travel north on Hwy 36 to Victoria Rd. 24. Turn north and travel 4.4 km to a parking area on the north-east side of Emily Creek. View from your car or short walk to the shoreline.



D.R. Gunn

Male deer shed their antlers each winter and grow new ones in the spring.

45. KAWARTHA LAKES

Excellent viewing for diving *ducks* early April to May and October to mid-November.



All of the Kawartha lakes are excellent for viewing waterfowl, especially in the spring. Many roads run close to the shorelines with many places to park and view.

46. STONY LAKE ROAD

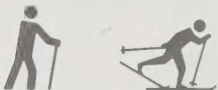
Forest habitat. *Deer* often seen in small openings on either side of County Rd. 6. Best viewing on sunny afternoons late-February to March. *Eagles* occasionally seen soaring overhead in the winter.



From Peterborough, travel north on Hwy 28 through the village of Lakefield to Stony Lake Rd. (County Rd. 6). Travel east on Stony Lake Rd., between Hwy 28 and County Rd. 44. Park and view from your car.

47. MILLER CREEK WILDLIFE AREA

Wetland habitat. Excellent viewing for *waterfowl* April to November and *songbirds* April to September. *Osprey*, *turtles*, *snakes* and *frogs* during the summer.



From Peterborough, travel north on Hwy 7B to Chemong Rd. (County Rd. 18). Continue north on Chemong Rd., through the village of Bridgenorth and turn east onto East Communications Rd. Travel 3 km and watch for the sign for the wildlife area. Park on the side of the road.

48. MARK S. BURNHAM PROVINCIAL PARK

Forest habitat. *Songbirds* mid-April to May. *Chipmunks*, *ruffed grouse* and *squirrels* throughout the year. Telephone (705) 295-6879.



From Peterborough, travel east on Hwy 7 and follow the signs to the park.

49. PETER'S WOODS PROVINCIAL NATURE RESERVE

Forest, field and wetland habitat. *Songbirds* year round but best mid-April to September. *Foxes*, *squirrels*, *chipmunks* and *deer* throughout the year.



From Coburg, travel north on Hwy 45 to Northumberland Rd. 29. Turn east and travel 3 km to McDonald Rd. Turn south and travel 2 km to the nature reserve.

50. GANARASKA RIVER AT CORBETT'S DAM

Forested river valley habitat. Excellent viewing for spawning *rainbow trout* during April. *Rainbow trout*, *brown trout* and *salmon* mid-September to mid-November.



In Port Hope, from the intersection of Hwy 401 and Hwy 28 (exit 464). Travel south on Hwy 28 to Molson St. Turn right and travel to Cavan St. Turn right and park on Cavan St. or at the Port Hope Conservation Area. Short walk to the dam to watch fish.

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